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Status

1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on *27 September 2007*.

2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.

3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) ☒ Claim(s) *1-13* is/are pending in the application.

   4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6) ☒ Claim(s) *1-13* is/are rejected.

7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.

   Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

   Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

   a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:

   1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

   2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

   3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

   * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
   Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
   Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application

6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1.   This Office Action is in response to Applicant's Amendment filed 9/27/2007.

Claims 1-13 are pending. Claim 13 is new added.

Specification

2.   Applicant's amendments to the specification filed on 9/27/2007, have been fully

considered and are persuasive. The objections to the specification have has been

withdrawn.

Claim Objections

3.   Applicant's amendments to claims 6 and 12 filed on 9/27/2007, have been fully

considered and are persuasive. The objections to claims 6 and 12 have has been

withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4.   The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that

form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

> A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –
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> (e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5.   Claims 1-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Teeple

et al. (US PGPub 2002/0120779).

6.   In regards to claim 1 Teeple et al. discloses, a method for providing local

information about a network portal **(Fig. 5 #500)** to a destination server **(Fig. 5 #501)**,

comprising:

    a.   creating a message containing substitutable variables and addressed to

said destination server **(¶0140 line(s) 1-6 and ¶0035 line(s) 18-20, teach a user**

creating message with substitute variables and addressed to a destination

server.);

    b.   sending said message **(¶0140 line(s) 1-2, teach sending the message.)**;

    c.   receiving said message at said network portal **(¶0140 line(s) 6-7, teach**

the network portal (Universal Bit Broker) receiving the message.);

    d.   detecting said substitutable variables in said message **(¶0140 line(s) 7-11**

and ¶0053 line(s) 6-7, teach the Universal Bit Broker (Network Portal),

which includes a ML Parser, identifying if there are any substitute variables

(tags).);

    e.   amending said message at said network portal in response to detecting

said substitutable variables by replacing said substitutable variables in said

message with said local information **(¶0140 line(s) 7-11, ¶0062-0071, and**

¶0082-0087, teach amending the message at the network portal after

detecting the substitute variables with local information.); and

f.   sending amended message to said destination server (¶0140 line(s) 11-14, **teach sending the amended message to the destination server.**).

7.   In regards to claims 2 and 8 Teeple et al. discloses, wherein said message and said amended message are formatted according to a text-based Internet protocol **(Fig. 5 #530-533, ¶0140 line(s) 3-6, and line(s) 11-14, teach sending the message in a text-based internet protocol.).**

8.   In regards to claims 3 and 9 Teeple et al. discloses, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Hypertext Transfer Protocol **(¶0138 line(s) 8-9, ¶0139 line(s) 6-9, and ¶0032 line(s) 4-9, teach the text-based Internet protocol (IP) is HTTP.).**

9.   In regards to claims 4 and 10 Teeple et al. discloses, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Session Initiation Protocol **(¶0138 line(s) 8-9 and ¶0139 line(s) 6-9, teach that any type of protocol can be used to send the message. Therefore, it is inherent that SIP is included.).**

In regards to claims 5 and 11 Teeple et al. discloses, wherein said text-based Internet protocol is Simple Mail Transfer Protocol **(¶0138 line(s) 8-9, teach whereas the amended message can be SMTP. Whereas in ¶0139 line(s) 6-9, teach that any type of protocol can be used for the original message.).**

10.   In regards to claims 6 and 12 Teeple et al. discloses, where said network portal is an Internet Appliance **(Fig. 5 #500 and ¶0138 line(s) 3-6, teach the Universal Bit Broker being an Internet Appliance.).**

11.   In regards to claim 7 Teeple et al. discloses, a network portal **(Fig. 5 #500)**

configured to provide local information to a destination server **(Fig. 5 #501)**, comprising:

g.   ·memory for storing said local information in association with a

substitutable variable **(Fig. 5 #800 and ¶0139 line(s) 1-6 and line(s) 14-17,**

teach a database (memory) where the local information associated with the

substitute variables are stored.);

h.   a receiver for receiving a message, said message addressed to said

destination server and consisting partly of said substitutable variable **(¶0140**

line(s) 6-7, teach the Universal Bid Broker (Network Portal) receiving

message with substitute variables and addressed to a destination server.

Therefore, it is inherent that there is a receiver for receiving this message.);

i.   means for identifying said substitutable variable in said message **(¶0140**

line(s) 7-11 and ¶0053 line(s) 6-7, teach the Universal Bit Broker (Network

Portal), which includes a ML Parser, as means for identifying if there are

any substitute variables (tags).);

j.   a processor for replacing said substitutable variable in said message with ,

said local information from said memory, thereby creating an amended message

(¶0076, teach the rule evaluator, which is included in the Universal Bid

Broker, as a processor for replacing the substitute variable in the message

with information from message. Thereby created an amended message.);

and

k.   a transmitter for sending said amended message to said destination

server (¶0140 line(s) 11-14, **teach sending the amended message to the**

destination server. Therefore, it is inherent that there is a transmitter for

sending the amended message.).

12.   In regards to claim 13 Teeple et al. discloses, a method for providing local

information about a network portal (Fig. 5 #500) to a destination server (Fig. 5 #500),

comprising:

l.   receiving a message addressed to a destination server, at said network

portal, said message containing substitutable variables and addressed to said

destination server (¶0140 line(s) 1-7 and ¶0035 line(s) 18-20, **teach the**

network portal (Universal Bit Broker) receiving the message addressed to a

destination server including substitute variables.);

m.   detecting said substitutable variables in said message (¶0140 line(s) 7-11

and ¶0053 line(s) 6-7, teach the Universal Bit Broker (Network Portal),

which includes a ML Parser, identifying if there are any substitute variables

(tags).);

n.   amending said message at said network portal in response to detecting

said substitutable variables by replacing said substitutable variables in said

message with said local information (¶0140 line(s) 7-11, ¶0062-0071, and

¶0082-0087, teach amending the message at the network portal after

detecting the substitute variables with local information.); and

o.   sending amended message to said destination server (**¶0140 line(s) 11-**

14, teach sending the amended message to the destination server.).

Response to Arguments

13.   Applicant's arguments, see pg. 6-9, filed 9/27/2007, with respect to the

rejection(s) of claim(s) 1-12 under 102(e) have been fully considered and are

persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further

consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Teeple et al. (US PGPub

2002/0120779).

Conclusion

14.   The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to

applicant's disclosure. Offermann (US PGPub 2004/0123148) securely passing user

credentials for access to an application through a network portal.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to La Juania N. Mouzon whose telephone number is 571-

270-3045. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 8:00-5:00, 1st

Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Glenton Burgess can be reached on 571-272-3949. The fax phone number

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